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March 23, 2001

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Ms. Deena Sheppard-Johnson, SR-6J
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77 West Jackson Boulevard
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Re: Chemical Recovery Systems Site, Elyria, Ohio - General Notice of
Potential Liability and Request for Information to Adelphia, Inc.

Dear Ms. Sheppard-Johnson:

This firm represents Forest City Technologies, Inc. ("Forest City") in connection with the Chemical Recovery Systems Site in Elyria, Ohio (the "Site"). On August 31, 1999, Forest City acquired the stock of Adelphia, Inc. ("Adelphia"). On or about March 6, 2001, Forest City received a General Notice of Potential Liability and Request for Information ("General Notice") which identifies Adelphia as a potentially responsible party with respect to the Site; in addition, the General Notice purports to require Adelphia to notify U.S. EPA whether it is willing to perform or finance response activities at the Site within 10 days of receipt of the General Notice letter and to respond to the Request for Information within 30 days of receipt. Pursuant to my telephone conversation with Assistant Regional Counsel Thomas Nash on March 16, 2001, U.S. EPA agreed that Adelphia would have until March 23, 2001 to postmark its response to the General Notice portion of U.S. EPA's March 2, 2001 notice.

Forest City has received a copies of four "Dirty Inventory" lists provided by Mr. Nash; Adelphia is identified on the lists with respect to two shipments of a total of 25 drums of toluene. At this point, Forest City has been unable to confirm that Adelphia is responsible for any shipments to the Site. However, Forest City's investigation regarding this matter is not yet complete. Accordingly, Forest City provides the following preliminary response at this time. Specifically, Forest City is willing to cooperate with the government and Site PRPs to finance or

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perform response activities at the Site if, and to the extent, it is liable under CERCLA. After Forest City completes its investigation and submits its answers to the Request for Information, it will amend this response, if necessary.

Please note that the fact that Forest City is submitting this response to the General Notice letter addressed to Adelphia should not in any way be construed as, or deemed to be, an admission that Forest City is responsible for any waste disposed of by Adelphia at the Site, which ceased operations at least 17 years before Forest City acquired Adelphia.

In the meantime, I would appreciate it if you would direct all future communications related to Adelphia and the Site to the undersigned. Thank you.

Very truly yours,



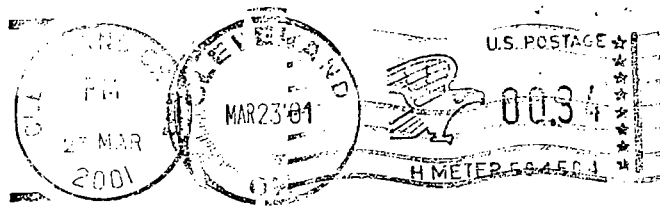
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